

BATTLE OF GUISA

The Forts, Five Houses and Three Hundred Huts Destroyed.

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The Spanish Garrison of 800 Men Defended the Town Heroically—Large Quantity of Dynamite Used—A Conference Between Autonomists and Reformists.

HAVANA, Dec. 7.—Details have been received of the fighting at Guisa. The Spanish column under Col. Tovar was delayed four days before arriving and capturing the position of the insurgents. The Spanish lost a captain, a lieutenant and 20 soldiers wounded.

According to the official account, the Spanish garrison defended that town heroically. It consisted of 800 men. The forts, five houses and 300 huts were destroyed. Eight men in charge of the Heliograph resisted until all were wounded.

The insurgents were 5,000 strong and had six cannons. They were commanded by Gen. Calixto Garcia, Gen. Jesus Rabi and Gen. Ramirez. A large quantity of dynamite was used.

A conference was held Monday between the autonomists and reformists at the house of Dr. Zayas, where Senor Montro, a prominent reformist, is convalescing. The proposal to dissolve both parties and to form a new one, with ample security for autonomist direction and programme, was not accepted.

Senor Galves, the president of the autonomists, said they were only willing to enter a combination, provided they could maintain their name, their programme in full and their present chief. They were, however, ready to admit the reformists to swell their own ranks. The conference will be continued Tuesday.

Death-Tucker in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Commander Booth-Tucker is in Chicago making arrangements for a mass meeting of business men and philanthropists at Central Music hall next Monday night, to consider the Salvation army's project for farm colonies for the poor of the American cities. At that time he expects Chicagoans to take up the work begun at the Carnegie Music hall meeting in New York city a week ago. Luther Laffin Mills and others will participate in the meeting.

Self-Confessed Embezzler.

BOSTON, Dec. 7.—John J. Gartland, jr., 26 years of age, state representative-elect from the Ninth District and treasurer of a local theater, was arrested Tuesday as a self-confessed embezzler of \$1,212 the property of Frank Dunn, proprietor of the theater. He says that he used the money for electioneering purposes.

DYNAMITE EXPLODES.

A Stock Hauler Blown to Atoms and Buildings in the Vicinity Wrecked.

BOWLING GREEN, O., Dec. 7.—Word was received here at nine a. m. Tuesday from Bradner, a small town 12 miles east of here, that the American Torpedo Co.'s magazine near there exploded about 8:30 o'clock a. m. with terrible results. Dan Levan, a stock hauler from Findlay, was at the building and was literally annihilated. It is variously estimated that from a small quantity to 700 quarts of nitro-glycerine was deposited in the building at the time. The country for many miles around was shaken by the explosion and damage was done in the immediate vicinity. Houses near by were nearly demolished. Windows were shattered to pieces over a large space of the neighborhood. What set off the terrible explosive nobody will ever know. Only a great hole in the ground marks the site of the magazine. Dan Levan, the unfortunate victim, lived in Findlay and leaves a family. He was a member of the Findlay Glycerine Co. only recently organized and was considered a competent man.

Olympic Theater Burned.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 7.—The Olympic theater, formerly the famous Olympic Athletic club where the Corbett-Sullivan and other notable contests occurred some years ago, was destroyed by fire Monday night together with nine other buildings. The total loss is estimated at \$70,000. Insurance \$30,000. The fire was believed to be of incendiary origin.

Prominent Farmer Assassinated.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 7.—Albert Giles, a prominent farmer living in the west end of Van Buren county, was assassinated while passing along the public road. He was fired upon from ambush, and a dozen bullets from rifles penetrated his body. The murder is believed to have been the work of moonshiners.

Suicide by Shooting.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—John W. Sims committed suicide Monday evening by shooting himself. He left a note saying that he had killed his wife at Caldwell, N. C., on June 20, 1895, and that he had been sent to the Morganston Insane asylum shortly afterward, but subsequently made his escape.

Postal Savings Banks.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The establishment and regulations of a postal savings bank system is provided for in a bill introduced Monday by Representative Lorimer (Ill.) Under his scheme money order offices selected by the postmaster general are to be made branch postal savings banks.

Woman's Murder and Suicide.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 7.—Charles Denneller, a gardener, while drunk, shot his wife as she sat at the table surrounded by her children and then killed himself. The woman will die.

LOVE AND DUTY.

The President Returns to His Mother's Bedside.

The Dying Woman Rallies and Recognizes Her Distinguished Son.

She Places Her Arm Around His Neck—The President Kissed Her Tenderly—A Scene That is Almost Too Sacred for Pen to Write.

CANTON, O., Dec. 7.—Once more the children of Nancy Allison McKinley have gathered about her couch made sacred by her tenacious struggle against death. The reunion is complete. The president arrived before the death angel made his visit and took with him the spirit of the aged mother. With the children were other relatives, among whom was the aged sister of Mrs. McKinley, Mrs. Abigail Osborne, mother of Consul W. M. Osborne.

The scene was a pathetic one that beggars description. In the midst of it all there was a joy unspeakable in the breast of the president. He had again been permitted to see his mother alive. He had answered all the obligations of his country. He had fulfilled his vows to his people. He had witnessed the assembling of congress and had been cheered with the news at the same time that his mother was better.

In that little upper room at the McKinley homestead Tuesday morning there was a scene that is almost too sacred for pen to write. The eyes of all present were filled with tears as they witnessed the remarkable and almost miraculous rally of the president's mother from the unconscious state into which she had fallen early Tuesday morning.

As her famous son entered the room accompanied by his wife and his niece, Miss Mabel McKinley, the sister of the president, Miss Helen said: "Mother here are William and Ida." He knelt by her bedside, he kissed her tenderly, reverently and as he did so she put her arm about his neck and signified that she knew him. She also recognized the president's wife and reached her hand toward her, and knew Miss Mabel McKinley and Jack Duncan.

It seemed to friends that she had some how or other been waiting for the arrival of her son. Soon after she lapsed into an unconscious state and the strength that had been husbanded for the last meeting of son and mother seemed to leave her.

An hour after his arrival the president sat by the bedside holding the hand of his mother. The attending physician was surprised at the remarkable rally. At 9:30 he said that she is getting weaker but he thinks she will live through the day.

At 5 o'clock Tuesday morning it was thought by those in attendance that the president would not arrive before the aged mother had died. He was informed that such was thought to be the condition. He was anxious to get to her bedside. The run was a rapid one from Pittsburgh, but there was a slight delay there in making the transfer to the Ft. Wayne track.

Dr. Phillips, who was present at the time of the president's arrival and the recognition, said afterwards in commenting upon this that the affair was most remarkable. He said he had never known such a recognition to occur in a case like Mother McKinley's, where the patient was as advanced in years. It is plain to the president, however, that his mother's pulse is weaker and that despite the rallies she has had she has been failing since he left her.

CANTON, Dec. 7.—Dr. Phillips left Mrs. McKinley late Tuesday afternoon. She was then entirely unconscious and resting quietly. She has taken no nourishment for 24 hours. The doctor believes the patient is steadily though slowly growing weaker, but can make no prediction as to the hour of final dissolution.

An Ex-Treasurer Puts on the Stripes.

BELLEFONTAINE, O., Dec. 7.—Ingle W. Rush, convicted Friday of embezzling funds from Stokes township while its treasurer, Monday presented himself in court here for sentence. Judge Dow gave him one year in the penitentiary. He was taken to Columbus.

Burglar's Footprint Preserved.

BELLEFONTAINE, O., Dec. 7.—Dr. P. D. Covington has secured the diagram of a footprint of a burglar who attempted to open one of his windows. He has given it to the officers, who will endeavor to find the man wearing shoes to correspond.

Tax on Whisky for the Yukon Country.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 7.—Maj. Walsh, administrator for the Yukon district, has notified the government that he has imposed a tax of \$2 per gallon on all whisky going into the Yukon country. If this tax does not stop the traffic, it will be raised.

Disturbances in Bohemia Continue.

VIENNA, Dec. 7.—The disturbances in Bohemia still continue. Boys under 15 years of age, who are exempt from the operation of the Standrecht, are now carrying on the former criminal work of the mob.

They Drank Wood Alcohol.

EXETER, N. H., Dec. 7.—Three residents of this town died Monday as the result of drinking wood alcohol. The victims are Horace Quimby and wife and Mrs. Annie Fitzsimmons.

Chas. Burgess Electrocutted.

AUBURN, N. Y., Dec. 7.—Chas. Burgess was electrocuted at the prison at 10:04 Tuesday morning for the murder of Henry V. Whitlock at Sterling, this county, in August, 1895.

THE TROUBLE

Between Germany and Hayti Probably Amicably Settled.

PORT AU PRINCE, Hayti, Dec. 7.—The trouble between Germany and Hayti appears to be settled. The Haytian government has saluted the German flag and the foreigners who had sought refuge on board ships in this harbor have returned to their homes.

It is understood that the question of the indemnity demanded by Germany, for the alleged illegal arrest and imprisonment of Herr Emil Lueders, a German subject, has been settled to the satisfaction of Germany and that all the demands of that country have been agreed to by the government of Hayti, in the face of the display of force made by Germany and under the threat of a bombardment of the defensive works of the port unless these demands were agreed to within eight hours following the time the German ultimatum was delivered Monday, shortly after the arrival at this port of the two German cruisers sent to back up the demands of the German minister here, Count Schwerin.

The first part of the settlement took place at 6 o'clock Monday night, when the Haytian fleet formally saluted the German flag from the flagship of the fleet of Hayti, the Crete-A-Pierrot, a small vessel of 904 tons armed with a few guns of light calibre.

Adm. Killek, the Haytian commander had charge of the formal salute of the German flag. While the flag of the republic was being dipped on board the Crete-A-Pierrot to the standard of Germany, the band of the Haytian navy played the German national anthem and the Haytian flag fired 21 guns, which were answered by the German flagship, the Charlotte, which is used as a school ship.

The second part of the settlement of the trouble between Germany and Hayti took place Tuesday morning, when Count Von Schwerin, the German minister to Hayti, was formally and solemnly received by the Haytian officials. The latter, it is understood, have assured the German authorities that summary justice will be promptly meted out to those officials of Hayti who caused the estrangement between the republic and Germany.

All citizens of German nationality who had sought refuge on board the steamer in this port have returned to their residences, no further trouble being apprehended, and the few French citizens who sought refuge on board the French steamer Ville de Marseilles, which was requisitioned for that purpose and arrived here recently from Porto Rico, have followed the example of the Germans and have gone back to their homes and businesses.

Naturally there is a strong feeling of resentment against the government on account of the humiliation inflicted upon the country by Germany, but it is not thought that anything more serious than a ministerial crisis will result.



GOV. BRIGGS.

Probable Successor to Attorney General McKenna.

THE LONDON PRESS

Make Comments on President McKinley's Message.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—The St. James Gazette Tuesday afternoon, commenting upon President McKinley's message to Congress, says:

"It has disappointed everybody in the attempt to give universal satisfaction. President McKinley is in an unpleasant position, having to sit on the fence. As a whole, it looks like an early confession of a great failure."

The Pall Mall Gazette takes a favorable view of the presidential message and criticizes the comments of the Times, remarking that it is impossible "to deal with the Cuban question without offending Spain as it would be to deal with Armenia without offending the sultan."

The Globe is of the opinion that it "would have taxed the abilities even of a great statesman" to deal with the question satisfactorily, adding:

"Although all the arguments against the annexation of Cuba are equally applicable to Hawaii, the United States is determined to have the latter, though America's fourth rate naval power as it is, can only hold Hawaii on sufferance. In the event of war she would be bundled out, neck and crop, by any first rate power, which finds it necessary to occupy the island."

Lieut. Peary Requested.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—Lieut. Peary, the Arctic explorer, was tendered a banquet Monday evening by the Geographical club, Sir Clements R. Markham, president of the Royal Geographical society, presiding.

Fatal Gas Explosion in a Mine.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 7.—An explosion of gas in the Clear Spring mine will cost three men their lives. The remarkable escape of seven others from a living tomb forms a thrilling incident of the accident.

ANNUAL REPORT

Of Secretary of the Treasury Gage to the Congress.

The Secretary Argues the Need of a Reform in the Currency.

Recommends a New Department of the Treasury to Be Known as the Issue and Redemption Division—Favors Refunding of the Outstanding Debts.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The annual report of the secretary of the treasury sent to congress Tuesday shows that the total receipts for the year ending June 30, 1897, were \$420,378,167, and the expenditures \$448,439,622, leaving a deficit for the year of \$18,061,454. The receipts for the year however, exceeded those for the year 1896 by \$20,911,759. The customs it is shown yielded \$170,554,125, and internal revenue sources \$146,688,574. As compared with 1896, this is an increase in the customs of \$10,532,374, and in internal revenue \$1,342,731. The secretary, at some length, argues the need of a reform in the currency, and in conclusion recommends the enactment of legislation establishing a department of the treasury to be designated as the issue and redemption division in which is to be deposited \$125,000,000 in gold to be used only for redemption purposes, and all silver now held in the treasury for redemption purposes, and also all silver bought under the act of 1890. He further recommends that the sum of \$300,000,000 in United States legal tender notes be also deposited in this division, to be disbursed therefrom only upon the receipt of gold. It is also recommended that provision be made for the issue of refunding loan ten year 2½ per cent. bonds payable in gold, in exchange for any part or all of the outstanding loans of the United States.

The secretary also recommends that national banks be authorized with a minimum capital of \$25,000 in places having a population 2,000 or less, and that the rate of taxation on circulating notes secured by deposit of bonds be reduced to one-half of one per cent. per annum; also, that banks be permitted to issue circulating notes to the par value of the refunding bonds deposited by them in the treasury, and further, that banks be allowed to deposit as security with the treasury, greenbacks, treasury notes or silver certificates to a total amount of the \$300,000,000 against which national bank notes shall be issued to them to an equal amount. After the banks have deposited such bonds, greenbacks, treasury notes and silver certificates to the amount of 50 per cent. of their capital, they shall be permitted to issue bank notes, in addition to the 50 per cent. thus provided, to the extent of 25 per cent. for which the banks' assets shall be liable. He also recommends that the guaranty of payment by the government be extended to all circulating notes of the bank, whether issued against deposited security or against assets. To secure the government against loss, if any, a tax of two per cent. should be levied on unsecured circulation to create a safety fund, to be invested by the controller in United States bonds. In addition the government should be further protected, the secretary says, by having first lien upon all assets in case of failure of the issuing bank. It is further recommended that all notes be redeemed in the city of New York and at other sub-treasuries at the expense of the banks, and that the issue of national bank notes be restricted to the denomination of \$10 and upwards.

WALTER CROOT,

An English Pugilist of Note, Killed by a Solar Plexus Blow by Jimmy Barry, of Chicago.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—Walter Croot, of New Castle, Eng., who was defeated for the bantam-weight championship of the world at the National Sporting club Monday night by Jimmy Barry, of Chicago, died Tuesday morning of the injuries received during the contest.

The knock-out blows consisted of a severe punch over the heart and then a crushing right hander on the jaw. Croot remained unconscious so long that medical assistance was called. It was found that he had sustained a severe concussion of the brain. He never regained consciousness and expired at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. Barry who was arrested shortly after the death of Croot was taken to the Bow street police court. The affair has caused great excitement in boxing circles.

Attempted Matricide and Suicide.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 7.—Albert Knapp, a German cigarmaker, 39 years of age, chased his aged mother with a hammer Tuesday morning and tried to kill her. Subsequently he was found dead, having cut his own throat. Knapp drank heavily, and he and his mother often quarreled.

The Annexation Treaty.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Senator Davis, chairman of the senate committee on foreign relations, said Tuesday that he would Wednesday ask the senate to take up the Hawaiian annexation treaty. The committee will hold a meeting Wednesday prior to the session of the senate.

Dropped Dead in Church.

MIDDLETOWN, O., Dec. 7.—Mrs. Elizabeth Snaveley, a widow, while attending the Winchester church Monday night, dropped dead as she was arising from her seat at the close of the service. A autopsy was the cause of death.

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Depart—6:20 a. m., 2:40 p. m.	Arrive—10:40 a. m., 5:55 p. m.
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OHIO RIVER ROAD.	
Leave Williamstown.	
NORTH—7:34 a. m., 12:37 p. m., 3:45 p. m., 9:05 p. m.	
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New and Interesting Happenings Within Our Borders.

LOGAN COUNTY MAN

Sought to Marry a Girl by Force—An Indictment Hanging Over Him.

BELLEFONTAINE, O., Dec. 7.—Saturday night Frank Edgington, of Hantsville, got drunk and, armed with a shotgun and two revolvers, went to the home of Isaac Young and asked to see Miss Ida Young, whom he said he wanted to marry, and that he would kill her if she refused.

Mrs. Young hurried the girl to a neighbor's and called two officers, who after a hard fight, captured Edgington. He was bound hand and foot and brought here. There is an indictment hanging over him.

Yura's Trial Started.

WARREN, O., Dec. 7.—At six o'clock Monday night 11 men were seated in the jury box for the trial of Louis Yura, who with Charles Fenter, both of Warren, is charged with murdering Isaac Hill, an offending farmer in Farmington last May. He was shot, it is alleged, by Yura, while going to the assistance of his mother, who had been bound by robbers.

Epidemic of Measles.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 7.—An epidemic of measles at the Mound street school is believed to be the result of an exchange of lead pencils by the school children. The pencils used in the schools are taken up at night, and redistributed in the morning. This has been put an end to since the epidemic resulted. Sixty-five children have been prostrated.

Failure at Xenia.

XENIA, O., Dec. 7.—W. D. Cooley, one of Xenia's largest grocers, made an assignment Monday morning. Judge J. M. Stewart being appointed assignee. The assets consist of a stock of groceries worth about \$10,000. Preferences were given to the extent of about \$9,000 to Judge Stewart and B. S. LeSourd and the Citizens' national bank.

He Took Poison.

COLUMBIANA, O., Dec. 7.—Henry Malkin, of East Fairfield, a few miles south of this city, committed suicide Monday by taking poison. Malkin was recently arrested on a charge of sending objectionable matter through the mails in anonymous letters, and had just been released on bail. He was about 65 years old.

Boys Strike in a Busy Season.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 7.—About twenty boys employed in the candy factory of Snyder, Chaffee & Co., took advantage of the holiday rush of trade Monday to strike. They are making \$2.20 per week each and think this a good time to force a raise, as the factory is over-run with orders.

New Mining Company.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Dec. 7.—The Champion City Mining Co., has been organized here with \$30,000 paid up capital, to operate "Poor Women" and "Poor Boys" gold mines in the Sunset group in Boulder county, Col. The mine will be running full blast by January 1.

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